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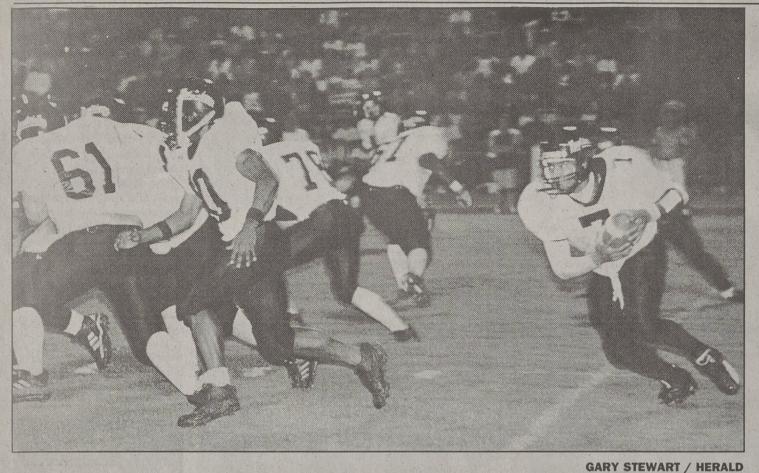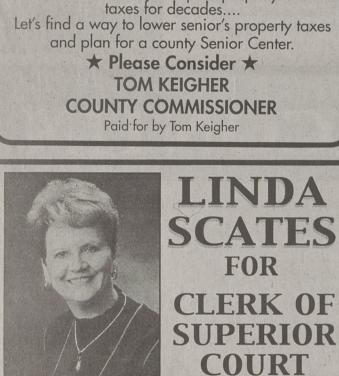Kings Mountain quarterback Derek Smith (7) keeps the ball for a big gain in Friday's 30-20 loss to East Gaston.

## MOUNTIE POSTGAME

### PLAYERS OF THE GAME

EG - Jadarian Moore, QB, 8-for-10 passing for 144 yards; 14-45 rushing, two touchdowns. Jarnard Abernathy, RB, 34-141 rushing, one TD.

### YARDSTICK

|  | KM | EG |
|---|---|---|
| First downs | 7 | 15 |
| Yds. rushing | 111 | 186 |
| Yds. passing | 87 | 180 |
| Passes | 2-8 | 9-11 |
| Fumbles lost | 1 | 0 |
| Yds. penalized | 46 | 30 |

### RUSHING

KM - Aquino Simmons 11-56, Derek Smith 15-55, Cortney Smith 1-5, Deon Holland 2 (-5). EG - Jarnard Abernathy 34-141, Jadarian Moore 14-45, Joe Pacheco 1-0.

### PASSING

KM - Derek Smith 2-5-87; Chris Jolly 0-3; EG - Moore 8-10-144; Michael Sanchez 1-1-36.

### RECEIVING

KM - Cortney Smith 1-57, Deon Holland 1-30; EG - Aaron Forney 2-40, Josh Benton 1-40, Ronnie Brooks 2-39, jared Hogan 1-36, Reggie Connor 1-12, Leon Shipp 1-11, Jarnard Abernathy 1-2.

### BY THE NUMBERS

| KM | 6 | 7 | 7 | 0 | -20 |
| EG | 6 | 14 | 10 | 0 | -30 |

### FIRST QUARTER

11:48 - KM - Simmons 65-kickoff return (kick blocked).

5:48 - EG - Moore, 11-run (kick failed).

### SECOND QUARTER

4:04 - EG - Jared Hogan, 36-pass from Michael Sanchez (Blake Stoddard kick).

1:09 - EG - Jarnard Abernathy, 17-run (Stoddard kick).

0:21.8 - KM - Cortney Smith, 57-pass from Derek Smith (Pablo Peralta kick).

### THIRD QUARTER

6:23 - EG - FG Stoddard 24.

3:34 - KM - Simmons, 17-run (Peralta kick).

2:08 - EG - Moore, 11-run (Stoddard kick).

### NOTABLE

This was the first coaching victory for East Gaston's Mark Latham, who was defensive coordinator for Kings Mountain last year.

### THIS WEEK

Kings Mountain at South Point, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Lineberger Stadium in Belmont.

### DIRECTIONS TO GAME

Take I-85 North to the Belmont Abbey College exit. At the end of the exit ramp turn left and go to the stop light at Dixon Ford. Turn right. Cross Wilkinson Blvd.

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

SP - QB Javar Williams. The junior standout was injured when these two teams met last year in Kings Mountain. Last week against Lincolnton, he hit 6-of-7 passes for 132 yards in a 55-21 Red Raider victory. Joe Brown, RB, gained 121 yards in 18 carries and scored five touchdowns last week.

### LAST YEAR

Chris Jolly set a school single game passing record with 236 yards, and Cortney Smith set the school single game receiving record with two catches for 157 yards in a 21-17 Mountaineer victory.

### THE SERIES

South Point leads 19-14 since consolidation of Belmont and Cramerton High Schools. Prior to Gaston Co. consolidation the KM-Belmont series was 15-1-1 in Kings Mountain's favor.

### S. POINT-KM SCORES

| Year | KM | SP |
|---|---|---|
| 1969 | 20 | 13 |
| 1970 | 7 | 24 |
| 1971 | 0 | 20 |
| 1972 | 19 | 28 |
| 1973 | 0 | 27 |
| 1974 | 6 | 35 |
| 1975 | 30 | 27 |
| 1976 | 13 | 21 |
| 1977 | 14 | 27 |
| 1978 | 3 | 28 |
| 1979 | 12 | 15 |
| 1980 | 6 | 36 |
| 1981 | 6 | 0 |
| 1982 | 14 | 6 |
| 1983 | 14 | 8 |
| 1984 | 26 | 34 |
| 1985 | 19 | 21* |
| 1986 | 41 | 7 |
| 1987 | 9 | 17 |
| 1988 | 7 | 21 |
| 1989 | 42 | 0 |
| 1990 | 26 | 13 |
| 1991 | 12 | 14 |
| 1992 | 29 | 18 |
| 1993 | 0 | 34 |
| 1994 | 14 | 17 |
| 1995 | 18 | 13 |
| 1996 | 42 | 18 |
| 1997 | 51 | 16 |
| 1998 | 30 | 14 |
| 1999 | 52 | 56 |
| 2000 | 29 | 59 |
| 2001 | 21 | 17 |

*South Point later forfeited game because of ineligible player.

### BELMONT-KM SCORES

| Year | KM | Bel. |
|---|---|---|
| 1945 | 6 | 0 |
| 1946 | 13 | 0 |
| 1947-53 | Did Not Play | |
| 1954 | 7 | 7 |
| 1955 | 20 | 6 |
| 1956 | 18 | 12 |
| 1957 | 27 | 7 |
| 1958 | 26 | 14 |
| 1959 | 13 | 0 |
| 1960 | 32 | 7 |
| 1961 | 13 | 0 |
| 1962 | 13 | 0 |
| 1963 | 20 | 0 |
| 1964 | 35 | 13 |
| 1965 | 14 | 0 |
| 1966 | 13 | 7 |
| 1967 | 7 | 13 |
| 1968 | 20 | 14 |

and bear right on Central Avenue. The school is approximately 2 miles on the right.

## WARRIORS
From 6A

for a 6-0 lead.

But, East Gaston came right back with a methodical running and passing game that set the stage for the rest of the contest. The Warriors used the running of Abernathy and the running and passing of Moore to launch an 86-yard touchdown drive that took six minutes off the clock. Moore covered the final 11 yards on a quarterback sneak to tie the game.

Kings Mountain moved the ball to the East Gaston 34, but Deon Holland and Cortney Smith, both of whom were wide open, dropped perfect passes from quarterback Derek Smith and the drive stalled.

It was all East Gaston after that.

The Warriors missed a short field goal on their next drive, and then recovered a fumble at the KM 31. On the second play, Moore threw a 40-yard pass to wide receiver Michael Sanchez, who was a part-time starting quarterback for the Warriors last year, and Sanchez found Hogan wide open in the end zone for a 36-yard touchdown pass. Blake Stoddard kicked the extra point for a 13-6 East Gaston lead.

Abernathy tacked on a 17-yard touchdown run with 1:09 left in the half to put the Warriors on top 20-6, but Kings Mountain came right back and got a 57-yard touchdown pass from Derek Smith to Cortney Smith, and a PAT from Pablo Peralta, to cut the margin to 20-13 at halftime.

East Gaston took the second half kickoff and drove in for a 24-yard field goal by Stoddard to widen the gap to 23-13 before Simmons capped a 73-yard drive with a 12-yard run off tackle to make it 23-20.

However, Abernathy returned the ensuing kickoff 56 yards to the KM 36 yard line, and three plays later Moore circled right end for an 11-yard touchdown run to close out the scoring.

The victory by the Warriors broke a nine-game losing streak to the Mounties, tracing back to 1984 when East Gaston left the old Southwestern 3A Conference for the 4A ranks. The teams renewed their rivalry in 1993 as a non-conference series and during that span KM had won every game while outscoring the Warriors 328-81.

## Red Cross golf tourney slated

The 11th annual Red Cross Ladies Pro Am Golf Benefit will be held October 21 at Cleveland Country Club.

At least two of women's golf's brightest young stars recorded their first win as a professional at the Pro Am.

Duke grad Beth Bauer followed a brilliant collegiate career with an almost perfect round of golf in the 2000 Pro Am. Beth has several top 10 finishes on the LPGA circuit, including second place in the U.S. Open. Her schedule will not allow her to participate this year.

Former Wake Forest star Stephanie Neill Harner, now playing on the LPGA Futures Tour, is a three-time winner of the Pro Am. Harner grew up in Charlotte and is the daughter of former Kings Mountain resident David Neill.